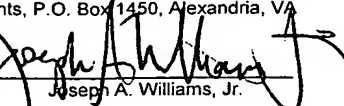


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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This document is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 1, 2005. A three-month period for response was set, making a response due on or before November 1, 2005. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time and submit the required fee.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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